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ALMA

The Word. Fr. Farraher lectured to the Holy Name Society in Belmont on "Overpopulation and Birth Control." Fr. Fisher gave a day of recollection to the Basilians, a married men's organization, at St. Joseph's in San Jose. Fr. Hagemann gave a day of recollection to the Eucharistic League of the clergy in San Francisco.

Fr. J. H. Wright (Ore.) turned his apostolic lights on those in the Alma community preparing to renew their vows on the feast of the Immaculate Conception. "Friendship with Christ" was the general theme of the triiduum.

The apostolate among the Mexican children at Guadalupe Center in San Jose continues to grow. Nearly 400 children receive instruction each Saturday—the number has doubled since early October. Messrs. Breault, Cassidy (Ore.), Mathewson, McCarthy (Ore.), Gallas, and Seiquist have helped out as temporary teachers for recent six-week periods. Under the direction of Fr. R. Taheny and Mr. Morse (Ore.) over 1000 children enjoyed a Christmas party, complete with carols and gifts and the antics of Santa Claus (Mr. Small, Ore.).

The Encounter. The scholastic mind encountered some of the contemporary world of thought and activity in the form of three lectures. Dr. Raymond Sontag, Ehrman Professor of European History at the University of California at Berkeley, gave the December Alma Lecture. He spoke on his work in Washington and Europe between 1946 and 1949 as chief of the German war documents project for the U. S. State Department.

In a lecture and question period, Fr. T. Terry analyzed the philosophical and religious attitudes he met while studying at the University of California at Davis.

Fr. O'Hanlon gave the first year scholastics a summary view of the Protestant seminaries in the Bay Area, drawn from his own personal contacts with these seminaries and their professors.

The Anguish. Several months ago we reported on the renovation going on in the Cenacle Chapels. It seems that the work (both of head and back) is not being done totally by Messrs. Short and Gallas, nor Fr. Mason, who is now lending an artistic hand. Indeed, we made an awe-full oversight. Frustration and anguish hang heavy in the Cenacle air! On closer investigation it appears that not only the conception of the master plan of renovation but also much of the cutting and fitting and hammering was carried out by Fr. Minister (H. Carlin).

The Dialogue. Fr. Provincial from the Oregon Province (A. McDonald) made his annual visitation.

Fr. Howard (Province Promoter of Sodalities) visited Alma for a few days in order to discuss and gather ideas for a possible Sodality training program for the Province Scholasticates.

NOVITIATE

On November 22, the accomplished musician, Dr. VanZandt, gave a piano recital and lectured to the

Juniors on "Music and the Catholic Church."

Just before Thanksgiving, Fr. McKey returned from his annual fall sales trip in the East and Northeast. He will remain here about a month before setting out again on the southern part of the annual circuit.

On Thanksgiving Day, Bro. Lefourne took a turn for the worse, was annointed by Fr. Rector (J. F. Connolly) and taken to the hospital. But after a week's stay there he was improved enough to return home, and has been steadily improving in the Province Infirmary (Regis Hall) under the care of the Novices.

The day after Thanksgiving, John George Engel died peacefully in the Lord. He had received the Last Rites the previous day after a series of strokes that sapped his last strength. He will be gratefully remembered by the Society for his heroic and patient charity in caring for Fr. Morton for more than two decades. He had lived at the Novitiate for over 20 years. Fr. Rector celebrated the funeral Mass at the parish church in Los Gatos, and John was buried at Santa Clara. R. I. P.

In mid-December, Fr. Howard addressed the Juniors on the organization of Our Lady's Sodality in the province, and gave a slide lecture to the Juniors and Novices on the recent World Congress of the Sodality in Rome.

Arrangements were completed this month to lease the Novitiate's property on Anamapu Street, Santa Barbara. The lessee intends to operate a service station on this busy corner.

Mr. Villegas, a regent from the Province of Colombia, has stopped here en route to join the Far East Province on Formosa, in order to improve his command of English.

Fr. Maring completed his retreat here the week before Christmas.

MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

The long trek northward for a "Mount Christmas" was undertaken by many parents of the scholastics of the California Province. Messrs. Sevilla, Beaudoin, Wade, Johnson, Cassidy, Conn, Journey and Robin were on hand to greet their families and welcome them to Midnight Mass and the many festivities of the holiday season.

Xmas found the scholastics busy in various ways. The Deaf Society under the direction of Mr. Casey and his two able lieutenants, Messrs. Tiernan and Conn, planned and executed a full day of Xmas activities for the deaf people of the area. Their heavy burden of setting up the successful day was shared by Messrs. McCormick, Adams, Kuykendall, Shea, Keating, Johnson, Wade and Chasse. Dinner and entertainment for over two hundred people as well as presents for each of the children were a major part of the big day. Mr. Beadle, Howard, was excellent as Santa.

The choir under the direction of Mr. Paul Jordan recorded their Xmas show for a Spokane radio station. The broadcast was heard all over the Inland Empire on Christmas Eve. The script for the show was written by Mr. Tiernan. The annual Xmas party for the choir sponsored by the Jesuit Mothers was held on Dec. 15 at Gonzaga U. The choir sang at the State Mental Hospital, participating in their annual Christmas program on Dec. 20th. The day after Xmas the choir toured the various hospitals, including Sacred Heart and Shriners, and old folks homes as well as St. Joe's Orphanage to entertain with numerous carols.

Mr. Foree directed a group of singers for the Midnight Mass at Gieger Field Air Force Base.

Christmas took on a rather sad note when it was revealed that Fr. Rector (E. Lindekugel) had to undergo a spinal-fusion operation that would lay him up for many weeks. Mr. Maes also was operated on recently and is now doing well.

Xmas decoratioins were in the capable hands of Mr. Cunningham as the "chief" this year and assisted by

Messrs. Fernandez, Chiesa, Foree and Robin.

The front parlors have been completely renovated for Xmas. The scholastics did the work and deserve full credit for a job well done.

Fr. Hauck made his annual visitation in the middle of the month and addressed the scholastics on the Educational Apostolate.

Fr. Nixon gave an inspiring lecture on alcoholism and the religious.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

The Glee Club, accompanied by the moderator, Fr. Caldwell, made its second tour of the San Francisco Bay region from December 4 to 8. It proved to be a greater success than last year. The itinerary included U.S.F., Santa Clara, St. Mary's Cathedral, Santa Clara Mission Church; Notre Dame, Belmont; St. John's Cathedral, Fresno.

Homecoming was celebrated by the students this year during the week of Nov. 30-Dec. 5. The annual parade in Westchester was highly successful in the colorful floats depicting circus themes. The basketball team won its second game at the homecoming by defeating San Diega State 77-54. This year's team shows more potentialities than for many previous years.

College Board Examinations were administered to some 500 high school seniors on Dec. 3.

On Dec. 8, the annual Catholic Communications Seminar was held on campus.

On Dec. 10, the University Guild had its annual Christmas party in the Lair; on Nov. 21 they held their annual dinner-dance at the Beverly Hills hotel, the Winter Wonderland.

On December 11 the Speech Department, under the direction of Mr. M. Schon, directed the High School Speech Tournament, a two day event which drew well over a hundred debaters and speakers.

On December 13, the Jesuit parents held their annual Christmas party at Loyola High, with several of the University's faculty in attendance; that same afternoon the Faculty Wives Club held their annual Christmas party, well attended by the community.

Edward Fry of the University's Reading Clinic earned his Ph. D. degree from S.C. this past month.

The Del Rey Players staged Moliere's play "Tartuffe" for a four-night stand, Dec. 11-14.

The debaters turned in a commendable performance at the Western Speech Assoc. Championship in Stockton, winning seven of their twelve debates; one student, Dave Roberti, reached the semi-finals of upper division impromptu and extempore speaking; Jerry Uelmen winning second place trophy in the junior division of men's oratory. Some 60 schools were competing.

KXLU, the University's 500 watt F.M. station will air all the home basketball games this year. A special booth will be constructed in the gym to eliminate excess noise.

The faculty joined with the 200 Club for dinner in the student center and the Homecoming Basketball game, on Dec. 4.

Azusa Retreat House hosted several of the faculty at a pre-Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 25.

On October 22 Fr. President (Casassa) attended a meeting of the Commission on Memberships and Standards of the WCA, held here in L.A. On the 27th he attended a meeting in Berkeley of the Joint Advisory Committee of the State Survey of Higher Education. A new state college is to be constructed in the not too distant future "near the Los Angeles International Airport," probably in the Torrance area. On the 29, he attended a meeting with Frs. Superior (Carroll) and Lucy of the Executive Meeting of the Board of Regents. On the 30th he attended a dinner in S.F. hosted by Dr. Clark Kerr, President of U.C., for a number of presidents of private institutions in California. On November 12, Father gave the invocation at a dinner of the Western Young Republicans at which Nelson Rockefeller gave the address.

The Annual Alumni Dance on November 13 was a great success with some 1300 in attendance.

On Nov. 16, Fr. President hosted seven Catholic high school principals. Ater dinner they met with some of the university's officials to discuss mutual problems. On Nov. 17, he met with the Joint Advisory Committee of the State Survey for Higher Education held at L.A. State College.

On Dec. 4, Fr. President attended a luncheon of the business men sponsored by the President of the Union Bank to obtain support for the University's Work Simplification Program. On Dec. 6, he attended another meeting at Berkeley of the Joint Advisory Committee of the current State Survey of Higher Education. He addressed a group of the Alumni on Dec. 12 gathered for a workshop in conjunction with the University's new development program. On Dec. 14 he served as a Western College Assoc. consultant at Woodbury College, L.A.

Frs. Cyril Kavanagh and J. J. Sullivan attended a Naval chaplains' meeting in Sn Daiego from Nov. 23-24.

Fr. Finnegan attended a meeting of the CTA in Sacramento.

Fr. John Shepherd and John Brady were guests over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Fr. Reed attended a meeting of the AFROTC Program at Atlanta, Ga., on Dec. 8 following.

Fr. Domachowski left Dec. 12 for Christ the King in San Diego after convalescing with us for three months.

Other guests this past month were Frs. Bassett on retreat; D. Maginnis, MacManus (N.Y. Prov.) returning to his mission in the Caroline Islands; Newport, Ransford and Schallert on retreat.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Administrative Changes. Fr. Copeland has replaced Fr. Mackin as Director of the Summer School. Fr. Mackin is chairman of an honors program committee.

Dec. 17 the University and Manning's catering service parted company. A former cook will now manage the kitchen for the University.

Cultural Events. The Loyola University glee club gave a concert in the de Saisset gallery on Dec. 6.

The University glee club presented a musicale on Dec. 8. Mr. G. Ross Bregantz is now the director, and Fr. Schmidt the moderator.

The Clay M. Greene Players presented their second play, "Bell, Book and Candle," Dec. 9, 10, 11 and 12 in arena style.

Law School Dean Leo B. Huard and Fr. Charles McCoy, chairman of the department of politics at the Catholic University of America, gave the final lectures in the adult education series directed by Fr. Crowley.

Fr. Flynn gave lectures to the Credit Women's Breakfast Club, the Los Gatos Lions, the South Bay Group of the Purchasing Agents Association of Northern California, and the Peninsula Commuters' Club.

Fr. Kennard spoke before the Los Gatos Board of Realtors urging their cooperation with recent legislation to end discrimination in housing. He also took part in a panel program commemorating the Bill of Rights and the UN Human Rights Covenant.

Fr. Brusher gave lecturs to the Palo Alto Serra Club, the Catholic Alumni lub, the diocesan and county groups of the National Council of Catholic Women, and the Mothers' Clubs of Our Lady of the Angels and St. Francis Schools.

Bulginig Program. Work has commenced on the new engineering center. The government loans for the student commons and a new dormitory has been approved.

Publications. Just off the press is the third edition, eighth printing of the pamphlet containing sketches of Magin Catalá by Fr. Stern, and of Fr. Stern's Nootka Island apostolate by Fr. Spearman, the University archivist. Copies may be obtained gratis either at the University or USF.

Advertising Principles and Problems by Business Dean Charles

Dirksen and Stanford Professor of Marketing, Arthur Kroeger has appeared in December.

Death in the Community. Fr. William Shepherd died at 8:30 A.M. Sunday, Dec. 13. He had been annointed at 3:30 A.M. Besides a large number of ours at the funeral Mass said by Fr. Robert Shepherd on Dec. 15 were Monsignors Byrne and Morahan.

Honor. Fr. Kennard has been elected President of the Santa Clara Valley Council for Civic Unity.

Beautifying the Grounds. Under Fr. Aldridge's direction the accumulated ivy of years has been cleared away from Raggio Gate. The gate has been repainted and is lighted by spotlights. An attractive crib has been set up in front of the old graveyard.

Sick List. Frs. Donovan and Hurst were confined to the infirmary with colds. Both are once more in circulation.

Research. Research and Institute activities from Dec. 1, 1956, to Dec. 1, 1959, included ten projects which received grants totaling $210,519.

Comings. Fr. Cahill served as the universtiy's host to the college classics instructors of the province. Present were Frs. Charlton and Charles Kavanagh of Loyola U.

During the month the University wsa pleased to have as guests: Frs. R. Shepherd, Vizzard, Prussing, W. McIntosh, Menager, A. and M. Falvey.

Goings. Fr. Hurst attended the meeting of the oreign Language Association of Northern California and the California Council of Foreign Language Teachers' Association at Asilomar.

Fr. McQuillan accompanied the Bronco basketball team on its trip to the East Coast. Fr. Curran went to Los Angeles with the team.

Fr. Sweeters went to Los Angeles for recruiting purposes and is now in the Pacific Northwest on the same mission.

Fr. Mei went to Las Vegas and Reno to talk to high school seniors and to confer with alumni about the new engineering center.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Fr. Rector (C. Dullea) spent a short time in the hospital with an injured back.

Fr. McGloin attended a December meeting of the Catholic Historical Associatioin in Chicago, where he read a paper on European Archival Resources for American Catholic History.

Fr. Boss addressed the Dairy Industry on Human Relations in Industry. He also was the panel moderator at the western conference of the National Office Managers' Association. He also gave the invocation to the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers on "The Moral Responsibility of Union Leaders and Members." He addressed the Santa Clara Valley Personnel Association on "Labor in Retrospect." He has been appointed chairman of the Committee on Industrial Relations of the San Francisco Urban League. Wrote a book review in Social Order "Labor in U.S.A." by Lester Velie.

V. I. P. Visitors: Fr. Provincial of Oregon; Fr. Provincial of New Orleans Province.

"The Power and Glory" by Green was staged by the College Players for three nights in the University Auditorium.

Preparations are under way to start the fourth floor of the Phelan Hall addition, a five floor annex.

Campion Hall has now been completely painted and gives the impression of a new building.

Fr. R. I. Burns was the guest lecturer at Davis Campus of U. of C. to the Renaissance History class of Professor Bickford O'Brien. His subject was nationalism as an obstacle to reform of abuses in the Church. He also gave a talk to the Alpha Epsilon fraternity on the religious foundations of western institutions. A question period followed.

Fr. R. Vaughan had an article "Pastoral Counseling and Psycho-

therapy" in the Homiletic and Pastoral Review.

Members of the community assisted in our own church and in many parishes at Christmas time. Several fathers also gave year-end retreats to various religious communities.

BROPHY

New Building. The contract was finally signed for the erection of the new classroom wing; ground was broken by Fr. Rector (F. Harrington) in the presence of the assembled student body; and the construction equipment moved in during the last week of November. This building will have seven classrooms, new administration offices, a library, and physics and chemistry lab and lecture rooms. With the new structure and adjustments in the old building, the total capacity of the school will be about 910 students.

Visitation. Fr. Provincial (C. O'Sullivan) made his annual visitation of the community during the first week of December; and he was present for the dedication of the new parish church.

Hospital. Fr. D'an is now living at Brophy, and is assisting Fr. John Geary, the chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital.

School Play. The annual school play was presented in Phoenix College Auditorium December 5 and 6. Under the direction of Fr. Brannon and assisted by Mr. Renna, the students ably presented the "Last Mile," a serious drama.

Oratorical Contest. Fr. Babbish directed the Sophomore Oratorical Contest on December 10. The theme of this year's contest was the "Spirit of Optimism"; and the speakers handled their parts so well that it was very hard to choose the final winners.

Christmas Party. The annual Mothers and Dads Christmas Party was held December 11 in Xavier Hall, and it was an enjoyable evening for all. The drawing for a raffle of a mink stole was held at the party; and the retturns were very helpful for the building fund.

Education Meeting. Fr. McDermott attended the annual California section meeting of the NCEA in San Francisco, Dec. 17 and 18. Then he and Fr. LoSchiavo participated in the meeting of the principals and vice principals of the province at St. Ignatius High.

Retreat. Before departing for his own annual retreat, Fr. Rector conducted an eight-day retreat for the Little Sisters of the Poor in Phoenix. Fr. McDermot gave a day of recollection to the students of St. Joseph's Academy in Prescott. Fr. Babbish is giving the year-end retreat at Sts. Simon and Jude.

Events. Fr. Dodd was chosen "Teacher of the Week" for the city of Phoenix.

The school play, "The Last Mile," was given at Phoenix College Auditorium on Dec. 5th and 6th.

Work on the annual dinner dance has been progressing nicely. This should be the best year ever.

Fr. Dodd ended the football season with eight wins and one loss. He is now coaching the basketball team and has two wins and one loss.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Alumni Gathering. The high school now being a separate unit, Fr. D. O'Gara is making a planned and consistent effort to develop an enthusiastic Alumni Association. As a matter of fact, this effort started some time prior to the separation, but now the endeavor is brought more clearly into focus. Helpful toward this end have been periodic gatherings of the boys of the yesteryears. Typical of these affairs was the Annual Alumni Dinner-Dance held Nov. 28 in Phelan Hall. Some 400 persons enjoyed the evening, and were greeted by former teachers, now stationed at S. I. and U. S. F.

Oratorical Contest. Fine selections were given by participants in the Sophomore Oratorical Contest. The

judges were Fr. Power, Pastor of Our Lady of Mercy, Dr. Alan Wall, and Mr. Raymond Williamson, attorney. Fr. Henry was in charge.

Speech and Music. On Friday, December 11th, our little Frosh entertained with the annual Elocution Contest. A very enjoyable and interesting program showed the faculty and an appreciative audience of parents and friends some outstanding talent in this year's Freshman class. Mr. McMahon, their moderator, organized the program, and plans to enter them in the NFL tournaments. A pleasant surprise was the first performance of a Frosh combo composed of guitars, accordion and drums that provided intermission music, plus two solos, one of which was an original composition by one of the members of the combo. First place winner in the contest was Robert Curran, who was coached by Mr. Campbell.

Youth in the News. Brian Dolan, of the Junior class, is president of the San Francisco Youth Association. Two of our lads were among the six winners in the Transportation Essay contest. A Sacred Heart High boy came first in this city-wide high school competition.

Athletics. Winter succeeds autumn, basketball succeeds football. The basketball teams, in the early season games, have done well. A parting glance at the completed football season reveals a co-championship for the first team; an undefeated season for the JV's, coached by Fr. R. Devlin and Mr. Castagnola; and a 6-1 winning record posted by the Soph-Frosh, under the tutelage of Messrs. W. Wood and J. R. Higgins.

Communion Breakfast. Some 900 fathers and sons received Communion at the 8:30 Mass on Nov. 22 in St. Ignatius Church. Fr. Thomas Kennedy, Principal of Serra High and graduate of S.I., preached the sermon. Chief Thomas Cahill of the S.F. Police Department and father of two St. Ignatius students, spoke at the breakfast served in Phelan Hall. His subject was parents' responsibility towards their young.

Spiritualia. Fr. Charvet made his annual retreat in our midst—from the hills of Los Gatos to those of San Francisco. The renovation triduum this fall was given by Fr. Pope. Fr. Dailey presented an interesting casus on the medical and moral aspects of hypnotism.

Visitors. Frs. J. Shepherd and O'Mara spent a few days in our community.

Varia. In the speech tournament, held at U.S.F., St. Ignatius placed second in the sweepstakes award and won prizes in debating. Under the aegis of Fr. Olivier, the students contributed to a fund for providing Christmas baskets for needy families. The list of such families was provided by the Sisters of the Holy Family. On December 12th, the Dads' Club held its annual Christmas Dinner-Dance in the high school gymnasium. Some 700 enjoyed the evening's social event.

Charitable Muse. Some twenty-five talented wildcats under the direction of Mr. McMahon were organized into the Sodality's Musical Variety Show to tour the hospitals before Christmas. Fr. Enright, Sodality moderator, supervised the operation, which took the group to the City and County Hospital, Vets' Hospital, etc. The students were most impressed by the appreciative audience at Langley-Porter Psychiatric Clinic, where few entertaining groups bother to go. Messrs. J. R. Higgins and Tollini sang a duet with the glee club (of which Mr. Tollini is the director).

Stalag 17. A select group of the S.I. boys are meeting almost every day during Christmas vacation for several hours, in preparation for the school's dramatic offering of 1960, "Stalag 17." The play will be performed on anuary 6, 7, and 8. Directing the production is Mr. Seidler. Mr. Tollini is staging the play.

BELLARMINE

Chapel Improvement. The rubric, "clara voce," can now be observed at the side altars in the community

chapel without causing distraction to anyone. Plate glass, aluminum-bound, sliding doors have been installed to set off each side altar. With the exception of six small windows, which will some day be stained glass, the chapel is now complete, even to the point of a new organ recently donated by a friend of Fr. Gruye.

Forensics. The state champion in the Voice of Democracy Contest is a Bellarmine junior, Lawrence Denny. His prize is a four-day all-expense trip to Washington, D.C., where, in February, his speech will be entered for the National Chompioship.

At the local NFL tournament—Lincoln High, San Jose—Bellarmine won another sweepstakes trophy.

Sodality. As moderator of the Mission Committee, Mr. Mellon has completed another heroic task. He managed the collection and distribution of $5000 worth of food for deserving poor. Over 250 boxes of food for Christmas dinners, worth over $20 each, were delivered to families which had been recommended by the Holy Names Sisters or by the Guadalupe and Holy Spirit Centers. And at Star of the Sea Center in Alviso, Fr. Want was able to distribute toys and sacks of candy, fruit, and iuts to 125 children after Mass on Christmas morning.

During the December day of recollection for the Sodality, Fr. Rector (Keenan) said the Mass and received 18 new members. Fr. Brewer gave the points for meditation.

Varia. On Dec. 9, Fr. Conway and Mr. Romano sponsored a Drama Festival in our Little Theatre. Joseph Klein, a junior, won the Best Actor medal.

Fr. Deeney conducted the triduum and gave the community exhortation for the renovation of vows on the 8th.

Messrs. Bremmer and Rewak are conducting extra classes after school and in the evening for 70 seniors who plan to take the College Board Tests.

The Jesuit Mothers of the Santa Clara Valley entertained the Jesuits of this and neighboring communities in the students dining room on the afternoon of Sunday, the 20th.

Fr. Rector's Day was celebrated on the 21st. Northern California Jesuits and travellers from the south were welocmed as dinner guests.

The school administrators and many of the teachers attended the meeting of the NCEA convention in San Francisco.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Spiritualia. Rev. Fr. Provincial (O'Sullivan) began his annual visit with an exhortation Nov. 17th, and on the eve of his departure, Nov. 28th, granted the traditional holiday.

Fr. Rector (Plushkell) preached at the 12 o'clock Mass, Sunday, Nov. 22nd, on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of St. Cecelia's Church. Father was baptized and lived in this parish until he etered the Society.

Conducted also a day of recollection for 50 women at the retreat house of the Sisters of Joseph and Mary.

Fr. Richardson gave the Sunday Night Advent lectures in the school auditorium of Blessed Sacrament parish. His subject was "The Messias." Each lecture was divided by a coffee break and was attended by about 200 people.

Loyola Legacy. Loyola High School was a beneficiary in the will of the late Mr. Fred Huesman to the amount of $20,000. Each priest offered two Masses and each non-priest two Communions and two rosaries for the souls of these generous benefactors, Mr. and Mrs. Huesman.

Footballers Fish Dinner. On the evening after Thanksgiving, Nov. 27, a special fish dinner was served in our refectory to the Loyola dads who were such ardent Cub fans that they gladly manned the football field and handled the crowds at all home games this year. They appreciated this form of Jesuit thanks and hospitality.

Mass in National Cemetery. At the end of his recent retreat at Loyola U., Fr. Bassett said a requiem Mass in the cemetery chapel at Sawtelle for an Irish-born veteran of the first World War. He was buried with military honors among 40,000 other soldiers (10,00 of them Catholics), veterans of our last five wars in the huge Los Angeles National Cemetery, which was opened 50 years ago.

Guild Christmas Dinner. On Sunday evening, Dec. 6th, the Henry Welch Guild held their annual Christmas Dinner Party in the New Gym, in the presence of 710 parents of our students and their invited guests. The net proceeds amounted to $2,700, and, added to a later Christmas gift of $800, reached the sum of $3,500. Everyone agreed that this was the largest and most successful social in recent years.

Renewal of Vows. The points of the vow triduum were given by Fr. Meehan to 16 scholastics and one father, who renewed their vows on Dec. 13th. A group of youg fathers headed by Fr. Pallas cheerfully waited on table during the renovation dinner.

Jesuit Parents Christmas Party. The Jesuit Mothers and Fathers of all L. A., bringing their sons and daughters and grandchildren, took over the Auditorium on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 13th ,and put on a delightful Christmas party for both the high school and university communities. Fr. Rector and Fr. Casassa each extended warm Christmas greetings. The Glee Club, directed by Mr. Gonsalves, sang Christmas carols. And there were refreshments, a tree, a Nativity set, a Santa Claus, and a Christmas gift for each father, scholastic, and brother, as well as for the tiniest Tiny Tim of the 200 joyful souls present.

Speech Tournament. In a two-day speech tournament held at Loyola U., open to both public and private schools, the Loyola Cubs entered two large speech groups.

On Dec. 12th two members of the individual speakers' group, coached by Mr. O'Neill, won two first places and were awarded two gold medals. On the previous day, four members of the debaters' group, coached by Mr. Reilly, won top honors and four gold medals.

Lay Faculty Christmas Dinner. The nine members of our lay faculty were the honored guests of the Loyola Jesuit faculty, Thursday evening, Dec. 17th and together with the community and several more of Ours from the Blessed Sacrament parish and Loyola U heartily enjoyed the Christmas dinner provided for them by Fr. Minister (Francis Dunn) and likewise the pleasant warmth of the Christmas logs in the recreation room afterwards.

Scholarships. Eight Loyola seniors have qualified as National Merit finalists and four more have received Certificates of Commendation.

Turkey Raffle. Two large turkeys, each alongside a gift package of Jesuit winie, which were raffled off just before school closed, raised $700, a neat sum for the purchase of athletic equipment.

Football. The Loyola Varsity lost all but one of its eight games, yet strangely attracted an ever-increasing crowd to each contest.

Our featherweights, the Cees, coached by Frs. Wrigh and Duggan, often outweighed, often outshouted, wound up with three wins and five losses.

But the Junior Varsity, our popular JVVees, assisted by Mr. Flynn, won four of their seven games, tied two, dropped one, and finished second in their division.

Improvements. New steel shelves to hold 1,000 more books have been added to the Fathers' Library by Fr. Pallas. Bros. Desjardins and Sessing fitted into the library ceiling two new lighting fixtures, each holding two fluorescent tubes 14 feet long.

The same brothers also wrecked the worst of the two old homes on the recently purchased 50'x200' lot in back of Gilfillan Bros. electric plant, piled up the old lumber and cleared away the debris.

Truckloads for Needy Families. It

took several large truckloads to roll away the incredible number of some 21,000 cans of food collected by the entire student body, to deliver them to the Holy Names Sisters and the Helpers of the Holy Souls for Christmas distribution to needy families.

Health Report. Fr. Menager, released from St. John's Hospital after a general checkup, was found suffering from nerve fatigue and was advised to take a long rest. He is now recuperating in the Santa Clara Infirmary.

Ex Aliis Provinciis. Loyola recently welcomed:

Fr. Victor Bloom (Mo.), Dean of Engineering, St. Louis U.

Fr. Erwin Toner (Ore.), editor of "The Oregon Jesuit," for further medical treatment of his arthritis.

Fr. Victor Fernandez (Chil., V.P.), on a visit to San Jose before returning to his missionary work in and around Santiago, Chili.

Rev. Fr. John McGrain (Detr.), Provincial en route to Japan and India to visit his Detroit subjects now working in the Far East Province.

EL RETIRO

The Annual Captains' Dinner was held in Phelan Hall on Dec. 1. Some 150 were in attendance. Fr. Francis Corkery (Ore.) was the speaker of the evening. The El Retiro citation for outstanding work in the retreat movement was awarded to Rev. Bernard F. Burke, pastor of St. Joachim parish in Hayward, to Messrs. James Madden, Paul Mariani, Arthur Melke and John Mootz. Announcement was made that the 1961 Communion Breakfast would be served in Phelan Hall, the attendance being limited to 600.

Serra High seniors made their graduation retreat Nov. 21-23. Fr. Maher conducted the exercises, assisted by Fr. John Murphy of the Serra faculty. The class numbered 32.

Occasional speeches: Fr. Tobin to the Serra Club of San Jose; Fr. Bradstreet to the Men's Club of St. Joseph's School, Menlo Park; Fr. Maher to the Mothers' Guild of the same school, to the "Apostolati," a Catholic Action group of Chinese men and women, to the public school teachers at their monthly evening of recollection.

The quiet of El Retiro has been disturbed during the past months by grading operations for the campus of the Foothill Junior College to be erected at the cost of ten million dollars, a short mile away from our property line on O'Keefe Lane.

The President and the Board of Directors of the Retreat Association, along with their families will be our guests at dinner on Dec. 27, following the annual meeting of the directors.

Christmas assignments: Fr. Tobin, El Retiro; Fr. Leahy, Los Altos; Fr. Bradstreet, Our Lady of Mercy, S.F.; Fr. Giambastiani, St. Athanasius, Mountain View; Fr. Maher, Flintridge; Mr. McIntosh, Los Altos; Fr. Savall, St. Francis, Bakersfield; Fr. Silva, St. John the Baptist, Napa.

The Jesuit Mothers who help in getting out the mail each month were entertained at a pre-Christmas luncheon as they finished sending out the 1961 schedule of retreats to some 17,000 men on our active list.

During 1959, 31 of Ours, 10 secular priests and 6 religious made private retreats here.

The Fathers of the Mission Band, apart from giving occasional retreats and helping out at home, have concluded a busy and most successful year of ministries abroad. Their 1960 schedule is equally crowded.

AZUSA

During the closing weeks of the year, many guests have come to make their annual retreat: To-wit, Frs. Casassa, Cosgrove from Sacramento, J. Houle, G. Leahy, D. Maginnis, J. Carroll, Hanlon, McKee and Benecke.

Early in November, Fr. O'Mara conducted a day of recollection for the ladies of the Catholic Women's Club in Los Angeles. Also a day of

recollection for the ladies of St. Stephen's parish in Monterey Park.

Fr. J. Vaughan gave a triduum to the old people at the Little Sisters of the Poor. Also said Mass and preached at Mayfield High School on the day of dedication of the Immaculate Conception basilica in Washington.

On Nov. 23rd Fr. Provincial made his visitation, accompanied by Fr. Socius.

On Nov. 25th, the dedication of the new parish church in nearby Covina brought Mr. Mellon from Bellarmine to assist with Fr. Rice at the function. Mr. Mellon is the only scholastic in the Province from Covina, and the pastor was anxious to have him attend the ceremonies.

Frs. Toner and J. Shepherd have been away for most of the time in the work of the parochial missions, much of the time in the Oregon Province where they experienced the fury of the cold and winds.

Fr. John Houle has been a frequent visitor, particularly on weekends when he has been able to display his pictures to the retreatants, and turn their thoughts to China.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

A class of seventy children from our school made their First Holy Communion.

Fr. Richardson is giving the second of his lectures on "The Messiah" Sunday evening in the school hall. His lectures are very well attended.

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated with a special evening Mass and sermon in Spanish by Fr. Jacobo Moran, S.J., a distinguished speaker who comes from Mexico.

"Sing Noel," a recording by our organist, Dr. Richard Keyes Biggs, with the Biggs singers is being sold as a Christmas gift.

RUSSIAN CENTER, SF

Talks. The alumni of the Newman Club, Berkeley, after having attended a Liturgy in our chapel, listened to Fr. Patzelt, speaking on "The Eastern Liturgy, Its Origin and History." Fr. Patzelt spoke also to a group of lay teachers and social workers on "The Ecumenical Council and Ecumenical Questions," and to San Mateo Serra Club on "Religion in Russia."

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

Fr. Newport:

Conducted a Triduum of Reparation for the Sacred Heart at Our Lady of Solitude Church (Palm Springs).

Conducted a Day of Recollection at Rosary High School (San Diego).

Spoke on the "Apostleship of Prayer and Vocations" in each class room of Loyola High and Bellarmine. He had previously spoken to each year of St. Ignatius High.

Fr. Twigg-Porter:

Conducted the Triduua of Reparation to the Sacred Heart at St. Callistus Church (San Pablo) and St. John's Church (S.F.).

Held Holy Hours at Lagunitas (St. Cecilia's Church) in preparation for Christmas.

Fr. Fader:

Assisted the work of the Apostleship of Prayer through his knowledge of Spanish: Addressed the Promoters' Meeting, Holy Name Men, and the Nocturnal Adoration Group at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (San Diego); established the Apostleship at St. Jude's Shrine (San Diego); made official visits to the Spanish-speakinig parishes for the diocesan director of the Apostleship of Prayer in San Diego. While Fr. Fader was in San Diego, Fr. Twigg-Porter covered the work at the S.F. Hospital.

FAR EAST PROVINCE

Fr. Houle's report from Loyola High:

Spoke in the open to the 1100 high school students of St. Mary's Academy on The Church in China.

Gave a conference to the Sisters

above-mentioned at the close of their day of recollection.

Spoke on Mission Work to 75 women of the Holy Family Mission Circle, Holy Family parish, Glendale.

Gave a talk on the Valiant Chinese Catholics to the Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Sunland.

Talked for an hour to the Azusa reatreatants almost every Saturday afternoon this past month. Fr. O'Mara thinks Jesuit retreatants should be informed about our Missions and Mission Work, the Church of Silence, and the Communist Threat.

VARIA

Recent deaths: Fr. Francis Ratermann (Mo.) Nov. 13 at Florissant; Bro. Joseph Smith (NO) Nov. 15 at Mobile; Fr. Francis Benoit (Mo.) Nov. 24 in St. Louis; Fr. Henry Avery (NY) Nov. 25 at Shrub Oak; Fr. Anthony Berens (Wisc.) Dec. 1 in Milwaukee; Fr. William Shepherd, Dec. 13 at Santa Clara; Fr. Michael Balestra (Ore.) Dec. 18 at Sheridan.

You are also asked to remember in your prayers the souls of the mother of Fr. Herrlich and the grandmother of Bro. Kendall.

MISSION BAND, 1960

		FATHER
Jan. 3	Talk - All Masses, St. Basil's, Vallejo	Toner
Jan. 4	Talk, Serra Club, Stockton	Silva
Jan. 7-10	Triduum, Holy Name So., St. Basil's, Vallejo	Toner
Jan. 7-24	Retreats & Conferences, Cenacle, Sacramento	Giambastiani
Jan. 10	Supply, St. Brigid's, San Francisco	Silva
Jan. 14-17	Retreat, Vallombrosa, Menlo Park	McIntosh
Jan. 17-25	Retreat, Laywomen, S.H. Retr. House, Alhambra	Shepherd
Jan. 22-24	Retreat, Married Couples, Montecito	Toner
Jan.24-31	Mission, St. Joseph's, Firebaugh	McIntosh
Jan. 28-31	Retreat, El Retiro	Silva
Jan. 29-31	Retreat, Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra	Toner
Feb. 2-5	Retreat, School, Convent of S. H., El Cajon	Savall
Feb. 5	Night of Recollection, Helpers of H. S., S. F.	Silva
Feb. 5-7	Triduum, Sisters, Convent of S. H., El Cajon	Savall
Feb. 9-11	Retreat, School, O. L. of Guadalupe, San Diego	Savall
Feb. 14-21	Mission, St. Philomenes, Sacramento	McIntosh-Toner
Feb. 21-28	Mission, St. Philomenes, Sacramento	Toner-Shepherd
Feb. 26-28	Triduum, Josephines, Los Angeles	Savall
Feb. 28	Talk - all Masses, St. Ignatius, S.F.	Toner
Feb. 28	Talk - all Masses, St. Francis X., Phoenix	Silva
Feb. 28-March 6	Mission, St. Vincent's, Petaluma	Giambastiani
Feb. 28-March 6	Mission, St. Paul's, Knights Landing	McIntosh
March 1-3	Retreat, Cenacle, Sacramento	Shepherd
March 2-4	Retreat, Holy Name H. S., Oakland	Savall
March 4-12	Novena of Grace, St. Ignatius, S.F.	Toner
March 4-12	Novena of Grace, St. Francis X., Phoenix	Silva
March 6-13	Mission, Bl. Sacrament, Hollywood	Giambastiani-Shepherd
March 13-20	Mission, All Saints, Concord	McIntosh-Silva
March 18-20	Retreat, Vallombrosa, Menlo Park	Savall
March 20-27	Mission, Nemwan Club, USC, LA	Toner
March 20-27	Mission, Corpus Christi, S.F.	Silva-Shepherd
March 20-27	Mission, All Saints, Concord	McIntosh-Giambastiani
March 27-April 3	Mission, St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower	Toner
March 27-April 3	Mission, St. Joseph's, Los Banos	Shepherd